

Hong Kong Telegraph

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FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 1894.

THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.



Banks.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.
AUTHORISED CAPITAL \$1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED \$1,250,000

BANKERS: LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of a per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—

For 12 Months.....5 per cent.

" 6 "4 "

" 3 "3 "

JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1894. [20]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....\$800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARERS.....\$800,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$75,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of a per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months.....5 per cent.

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A. C. MARSHALL,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1894. [563]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital.....\$1,000,000
Subscribed Capital.....\$500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—
D. Gillies, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
Chau Kit Shan, Esq. Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.
H. Stolterfels, Esq. [Chairman]
G. F. W. F. Playfair.

Branches:—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

BANKERS:—
The Commercial Bank of Scotland.
Paris Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ltd.)

Interest on the Fixed, 5 per cent.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1893. [7]

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....\$3,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP.....\$251,093.15.0

RATES OF INTEREST,
ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS
and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained
on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange
business transacted.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.
Hongkong, 6th November, 1893. [210]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

DURING the temporary absence of Mr. A. J. DAVID from Hongkong, Mr. KELLY RAEBURN is authorized to sign the Firm's name per procuration.

S. J. DAVID & Co.

Hongkong, 9th June, 1894. [674]

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

5668 yards 24 inches best quality
CANVAS HOSE.

Apply to CHOI CHEW,
243, Praya, West.

Hongkong, 12th June, 1894. [691]

"DERMATOL."

MANUFACTURED by FARWERKE,

HICHTH a/M; its effect in stimulating
the closing up of WOUNDS, and in internal
administration against diarrhoea, is described as
analogous.

D. R. K N O R R S

LION BRAND

A N T I P Y R I N E.

(DOSE FOR ADULTS IS TO 35 GRAINS TROY.)

Is the most approved and most efficacious
remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE,
NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER,
TYPHUS, INFLUENZA, DENGUE, ETC., ETC.

Highly recommended by the Medical Faculty.

Ask for Dr. KNORR'S ANTIPYRINE.

Each Tin bears the Inventor's signature "Dr.
KNORR" in red letters.

To be had at every reputed Chemist,
Druggist.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China
Export Import and Bank Companies.

Beware of spurious imitations.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1894. [692]

Insurances.

THE STANDARD ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.

1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANTAGES of this form of Assurance, the following may be mentioned:—

(a)—It secures an immediate Provision for wife and family or other relatives in event of early death.
(b)—It provides a Fund for Retirement.
(c)—It supplies an excellent Investment for the regular accumulation of small fixed sums of money.

(d)—The Surrender and loan values are larger than under ordinary Policies.

2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN THREE YEARS IN FORCE—should the Policy-holder wish to discontinue future payments—he will be entitled to receive, on application, a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a proportionate amount of the Sum Assured, as explained in the Prospectus.

Full particulars on application,

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents,
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1893. [747]

THE TOKYO MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:—TOKIO, JAPAN.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,200,000

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....\$ 600,000

GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE.....\$ 400,000

RESERVE FUND, 30th June, 1893.....\$ 548,551

SPECIAL RESERVE, Do.....\$ 134,097

TOTAL RESERVE.....\$ 682,648

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

For the MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
K. FUKUI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1894. [485]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1894. [180]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000. \$833,333.33.

EQUAL TO.....\$

RESERVE FUND.....\$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq. LO YEEU MOON, Esq.

LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1894. [694]

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

TO-MORROW

(SATURDAY, JUNE 16TH, 1894,

at 2.45 P.M.)

COMPETITION, LONG RANGE CUP;

Ranges 800 and 1000 yards; Ten Shots

at each distance. Entrance fee, 30 cents.

ARTHUR CHAPMAN, Honorary Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th June, 1894. [695]

CANTON DISTRICT.

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS,

No. 47.

TAI-SHEK BARRIER BEACONS,
BLENNHEM PASSAGE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the
WESTERN or UPPER-BEACON at
TAI-SHEK BARRIER has been CARRIED away.

Until it can be replaced, a Boat will be
moored to MARK ITS POSITION, on which the
RED LIGHT will be hoisted at Night.

J. H. MAY, Harbour Master.

Approved,
E. B. DREW,
Commissioner,
Custom House,
Canton, 10th June, 1894. [696]

NOTICE TO CAPTAINS.

MASTERS of Vessels arriving here CAN-

NOT BE TOO PARTICULAR as to the
SOURCE of supply of FRESH WATER,

especially during the present epidemic.

J. W. KEW & Co.'s STEAM WATER-BOATS

enable them to SUPPLY VESSELS with any

quantity of PURE FRESH WATER, with any

despatch and at moderate rates.

Call Flag "W," Commercial Code.

Office 18, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 14th June, 1894. [697]

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DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & CO., LTD.

D. C. & Co's
DISINFECTING FLUID.

Similar to Condy's at quarter the price.
Large bottles.....\$0.50
Per gallon.....\$2.00

This is a safe and reliable disinfectant and is not poisonous.

NO better preventive against Plague and Disease is possible than a well disinfected house.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1894.

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A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.
DISINFECTANTS.

Watson's
CARBO CAMPHIYLENE.

Is particularly useful for the Toilet and for the Disinfection of Bath-rooms, Sick-rooms, Bed-rooms, Chambers, Commodes, &c., as in place of bad smells it leaves a refreshing odour.

AS A SAFEGUARD.

A little sprinkled on the Handkerchief or on Cotton-wool and kept in front of the Nose and Mouth in infected rooms or in passing through infected districts is strongly recommended.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE.

FOR SICK ROOMS AND BED-ROOMS.
A teaspooonful in each saucer-distributed round the Room or evaporated by the aid of a lamp.

FOR SPRINKLING OF SPRAY,
A wine-glassful to a pint of water.

CARBOLIC POWDER.
For the purification of Houses, Cess-pools, Drains, Water-closets, &c., and for the Disinfection of Sick-rooms.

CARBOLIC ACID.
FOR DISINFECTING PURPOSES.

Half-an-ounce (about one-table-spoonful) of this Acid when well mixed with one quart of water forms a superior disinfecting and deodorizing fluid.

Half-a-pint of the Solution thus formed, when added to any vessel used in the Sick-room, will prevent any unpleasant effluvia, and preserve the contents for Medical inspection. It also purifies Drains, Water-closets, &c.

A tea-spoonful of Carbolic Acid exposed on a plate or other vessel in a Sick-room will purify the air and prevent contagion.

PERMANGANATE DISINFECTANT.

Similar to Condy's but cheaper,
50 cents a quart bottle.

A nice clean disinfectant for Dwelling-rooms and Bath-rooms.

CHLORINATED LIME.

THE HONGKONG
DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 6th June, 1894.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 1894.

THE DUTY OF THE HOUR.

THANKS to medical science we can cure the plague now raging in our midst; thanks to chemistry we could have prevented its birth and can stamp it out even should it reach its full development throughout the colony. Its continued presence in Hongkong means therefore a disregard, gross if not criminal, of those recognised sanitary principles the strict and careful observance of which is supposed to be a distinguishing mark of British Government all the world over. Even as matters stand this pestilence can be expelled from our island within a fortnight; but at the present rate of inactivity, or activity in wrong directions on the part of both the authorities and the general public, the fatal disease is likely to remain with us until the cold winter season sets in.

Against this official lethargy—imbecile, reckless, inexcusable—we strongly protest. It has meant the deaths of thousands of Chinese, and may not improbably lead to a mortality amongst Europeans of appalling dimensions. It means a loss to the commercial and working classes generally of the colony of millions of dollars, by practically stopping all business and driving our trade to other ports. It means a crushing blow to the princely prestige of Hongkong, the vaunted emporium and metropolis of the Far East. And all this could have been avoided by ordinary precautions before the advent of the plague or by the employment of summary repressive measures after its appearance. But the Hongkong Government, with fatuous shortsightedness, shilly-shallied and twaddled and trusted to Providence, instead of actively getting to work, until the contagion had obtained a firm foothold in the disgraceful filth of Chinatown, and what might have easily been eradicated without very serious consequences was allowed to develop into a cataclysm of fatal misfortunes.

It is true that something is at last being done to cope with this disease, and that

thanks to the Permanent Committee of the Sanitary Board and to the medical staff of the Government, there are not lacking willing hearts and ready hands in the good cause; but far more drastic measures are needed and that without the least delay. The business of the port is practically dormant; let it, if necessary, be entirely suspended for a week. The only way to effectually stamp out this plague is by universal disinfection. Every place in the city where excavations are in progress, from the military batteries to the street sewers and gas-pipe openings, should be treated with asyntoxins until there is no spot left for infected matter to rest in or for mephitic gases to escape from. Every house, office and godown, from Government House to the humblest coolie-quarters should be drenched with diluted preparations of any first-class germicide, no matter whether it be corrosive sublimate, cresol, Sanitas, Jeyes' disinfectant, or Condy's fluid. Every junk and sampan in the harbour and every vehicle ashore should be washed with some convenient bacillicide. It would be folly wasting time discussing the relative merits of the various disinfectants, as all are good, and the poorest is a hundred times better than none at all. Even the generally objectionable fire-crackers, the "Joss-piggin" of our Chinese friends, may be extremely useful in this emergency, the sulphur in the powder of which are composed being an admirable fumigant and antiseptic.

Of course all this will cost a lot of money, but better spend a million dollars in effectually grappling with the dreaded visitor at once than allow the colony to helplessly drift into utter ruin. The community can also render valuable aid to the authorities, and at the same time protect themselves. It is the duty of every householder to disinfect his premises from garret to cellar, cook-houses, coolie's quarters, yards, and even the road in front of the house. Thorough cleanliness should be enforced throughout the city, and when the plague has been conquered it will then be time enough to deal with individual responsibility for the past and present, and an effective system for the future.

TELEGRAMS.

THE MOROCCO IMBROGLIO.

LONDON, 13th June, 1894.

A British gunboat has gone to Tangier.

The Spanish and French press are much excited over the Morocco question. The French press strongly distrust Great Britain, and declare that France should on no account permit the British to land at Tangier.

FRANCE AND SIAM.

Phra Yot has been brought to trial and sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment.

THE ITALIAN MINISTRY.

The late Cabinet resumes office with the exception of the Ministers for Finance and the Treasury.

THE KHEDIVE'S VISIT TO LONDON.

It is reported that the Khedive will probably decline his proposed visit to London and Paris, owing to the opposition of the Sultan of Turkey.

GIVING AWAY EXPLOSIVES.

PARIS, June 4th.

Turpin, Inventor of the new explosives "mineline" and "panzlastite," denies the story that he had been trading off his secrets to foreign governments, and asserts that he loyally forwarded his inventions to the Minister for War in Paris and to nobody else. Public opinion, however, is very sceptical about the whole business.

THE CRISIS IN ITALY.

The Italian Chamber has voted by 257 to 115 in favour of Signor Crispi's motion to appoint a commission to draw up a scheme of retrenchment in the public service; but the Premier, not satisfied with such a small majority, has resigned.

THE FRENCH ARMY.

JUN 6th.

In the Chamber of Deputies to-day, M. Grusset accused General Galiffet of writing an article tending to show degeneration in the spirit and courage of the French soldiers. The War Minister General Mercier, defied Galiffet amid loud applause, and the House adopted an "order of the day" expressing entire confidence in the army and its officers.

ENCOURAGING STRIKES.

JUN 7th.

M. Tousaint, a Socialist, who arrived in Hongkong by the French mail yesterday, takes over the duties of the Spanish Consulate to-morrow.

"Men are perfect," remarked the philosopher, after perusing the alleged editorial in this morning's *Daily Press*, "except the perfect fool."

THE Agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carlill & Co.) inform us that the Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Tacoma* left Victoria, B.C., on the 13th Inst. for this port, via Japan ports.

A REGULAR Convocation of Victoria, Chapter No. 525, will be held in the Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, this evening, at 8:30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

Berlin Bleit—Why don't you send a kg of whisky down to the Tung Wah Hospital for the searchers and bilowers?

Old Soak's Ah, then friends, I'm like the plumb landlord—think of no one but myself.

THE reports current in Shanghai on the 8th Inst. of the death of Sheng Huan-hua Customs Tsoot of Tientsin, Chief Director of the China Merchants' S.N. Co., and Director-General of the Imperial Chinese Telegraphs, proved unfounded, that popular official being in the best of health.

A CORRESPONDENT writes from Swatow, under yesterday's date:—The plague still keeps aloof from this port, thanks to the strict quarantining rules, which are rigidly enforced; and therefore the mat-shed erected below the harbour limits for the accommodation of any victims brought here is still tenanted. The weather is calm and cloudy, with only occasional showers, and looks like clearing up.

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THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Shanghai* left Bombay for this port on the morning of the 13th Inst.

We are informed by the agents (Messrs. Shaw & Co.) that the "Union" Line steamer *Isabella* from Middlebury, Antwerp and Hamburg, left Singapore for this port this afternoon, and is due on or about the 22nd Inst.

By a striking eccentricity of that playful spirit, the "winter's devil," a Haiphong *coffeur* (barber) was referred to in one of the local papers as a *soffeur* (soaker)—and there is no end to the row in consequence.

At the Hotel bar:—

Friend (consoled)—Awfully sorry about you being left in so badly, old man; were you a bull or a bear?

Victim (of misplaced confidence)—Neither; I was an unmitigated ass!

The Haiphong Chamber of Commerce at a special meeting on the 26th ulto unanimously passed a resolution strongly urging the Government to proceed quickly with the harbour works to which frequent reference has been made in these columns. A powerful dredger is to be acquired at once, before deciding what to do with it.

THE Ningpo correspondent of the *Shanghai Mercury* writes under date June 8th:—At 9 p.m. on the night of the 6th Inst. six passenger-boats sailed from a place named Whach, about 15 miles from Ningpo. When they reached a place named Wansan Doochias, they met a band of over 200 sooothers, who were disguised as soldiers, having uniform and turbans, and who said they were sent out by a mandarin, to detect a case of robbery of dollars and so those boats had to be inspected; thus boarded, the boats were relieved of \$300 or \$600, and the pirates decamped.

A JUVENILE coolie in the employ of Dr. V. Danenbach was charged at the Magistrate to-day, before Mr. H. E. Wodehouse, with theft of \$16. The evidence showed that the prosecutor several days ago sent the prisoner to pay the money to a man named Van Eng, who however was not at home, and so the \$16 had to be brought back. Some time later the coolie told his master that a sooth had come for the money, which was accordingly handed again to the prisoner, who disappeared with it. He was sent to gaol for a fortnight and ordered to receive eight strokes with a rattan.

"THE Siamese Government have been wise in pocketing their dignity and surrendering Phra Yot for punishment," says the *Daily Press*. Now, if the *Daily Press* were not written in the English language and created with one of the local channels of British thought and opinion—dwarved, ill-begotten and emasculated though such thoughts and opinions may be, we would not take the trouble to seriously regard any sentiment that it might utter. But when it makes an exhibition of itself by prostituting the British tongue to so infamous a sentence as the one quoted, then on behalf of justice, honour, manhood and the British name we protest that the contemptible parasite who penned it should be put in the public pillory. The fellow's insignificance would under ordinary circumstances be his protection, but a time comes when even worms must be brushed aside and the bumptious ignorance of imbecility corrected. Did the shallow numskull realise what he was writing, and was he aware of the flagitious wrong which an alleged gallant and supposed civilized nation had done a petty Eastern kingdom—a wrong which is most fervently to be hoped will be righted by him, more truly than those of Siamese soldiers Gallant France—Bah! To vencher upon us for the upgiving of their plans of conquest in Siam by (Great Britain) to wreak her vengeance on a man and be a petty soldier! Gallant France! Ye gods! Such cowardly actions as these will put all pity that her last humiliating defeat gained for her. The persecution of Phra Yot and the cruel and undeserved indignities cast by the French Government on Siam is a stain upon French colonial history that time will not readily wipe out.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 1894.

NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The Eastern and Australian Co.'s steamship *Aurita*, Capt. W. Ellis, from Sydney and ports, arrived in harbour to-day. For the subjunctive telegrams we are indebted to our Colonial exchanges:-

LONDON, May 13th.

A disastrous fire has occurred at a large store in Batavia. The damage done was very large, and amongst the stock destroyed was 55,000 kilogrammes of petroleum.

The Marquis of Lansdowne, the Viceroy and Governor-General of India, has publicly stated that the mutiny amongst the men of the 17th Bengal Native Infantry, stationed at Agra, is not of a serious nature. The whole of the members of two companies of the regiment were placed under arrest for insubordination arising out of their objection to the inclusion in the regiment of men from other regiments.

May 13th.

The Sailors and Firemen's Union in the port of London has ordered the members to go out to strike. This step has been taken owing to the wages having been reduced. It is probable that unless a settlement is speedily effected the strike will extend to other ports.

In the billiard match between John Roberts and E. Diggle the former scored a win by 437 points.

May 14th.

An extraordinary case of double suicide is reported from Germany, the victim being two school children. The dead bodies of a boy 9 years of age and his sister, aged 13 years, have been found in the Danube Canal. Disclosures since made leave no room for doubt that the children deliberately committed suicide. It has transpired that they were not particularly successful in their studies at school, and both had incurred unfavourable reports from their teachers. The incident seems to have preyed upon their minds, and they decided to end their existence together.

May 15th.

A new instrument of torture, in the form of a sloping machine, has been tested in a German prison. One of the prisoners was operated upon, and so sloping was the machine that several of the spectators fainted.

News of the melancholy death of an Englishman who had gone prospecting in Arizona is just reported from New York. Roger McDonald went out into the wastes of Arizona in the hope of making a valuable find, and was not heard of for several days. The dead body of the unfortunate man has now been found in the midst of a vast tract of desert country, and it is supposed that he died after great suffering from thirst, hunger and exposure.

The Rev. D. Tolmie, pastor of the Brooklyn Tabernacle, which was destroyed by fire, has decided to start a lecturing tour throughout the world. His object is to raise a fund to assist in the reconstruction of the Tabernacle.

An investigation into the cause of the fire has revealed the fact that the conflagration was caused by the wires used in connection with the electric lighting of the building.

The National Liberal Federation of Great Britain has issued a summons for a meeting. The question to be considered is as to what steps shall be taken to bring about a reform of the House of Lords. It is thought a great campaign against the hereditary Chamber will be inaugurated throughout the country.

A tragedy is reported to have occurred in the streets of Paris. A soldier under the influence of drink seized a married woman, and notwithstanding her struggles kissed her. The woman screamed, and called her husband, who upon the drunken soldier drew his bayonet and stabbed her. The affair created great excitement in the vicinity, and a large crowd of people collected. The soldier, who did not appear to realize the gravity of his offence, was taken in custody by the spectators and handed over to the police. The woman is badly wounded, and will probably succumb to her injuries.

The strike in Pennsylvania is apparently as far as a settlement as ever, and the strikers are continuing their deeds of violence in different districts. In many places non-unions have been engaged to fill the vacant places. The strikers seized one of the free labourers, and amidst much demonstration tied him to a stake and flogged the unfortunate captive in a most brutal manner.

It is also reported that the strikers have made a diabolical attempt to wreck a railway by exploding a charge of dynamite in a tunnel. The plot was, however, discovered in time to prevent the perpetration of the outrage.

May 16th.

Four students at Harvard University hired a boat on Sunday and went on a yachting excursion in Boston harbour. They have not since been heard of, and great uneasiness is felt for their safety. The fear that the boat capsized and the whole of the occupants were drowned is increased by the fact that the coats of the students have been found. In the pockets of the clothing were letters addressed to the friends of the missing men. The police are now searching diligently for the yacht and its occupants, but beyond the finding of the coats no clue has been obtained.

A shocking story of the suicide of four persons, deeply attached to each other, comes from Vienna. The victims were an aristocrat and his three sisters, who mutually agreed to end their existence. They had discussed the possibility of one or the other dying and leaving the other to mourn, and arrived at the conclusion that to avoid such a great grief it was better that they should all die together. Consequently they procured a quantity of poison, and cast lots for a fatal dose. When the bodies were discovered a letter, stating that they had committed suicide in order to avoid the grief of each outliving the other, was found in the house.

May 17th.

The Agents-General for the Australasian colonies have made further combined representations to the Colonial Office respecting the Government of Samoa. In the last communication to the Imperial authorities the colonial representatives have stated that they have instructions to insist upon the abolition of the existing tripartite form of government of the islands.

The strike of cabinmen in London is causing a deal of inconvenience to the travelling public. Appeals are being made for funds to enable the men to carry the strike to a successful issue. It is reported that the Baroness Burdett-Coutts, who has spent large sums of money with a view of bettering the condition of the lower classes, has promised a donation of £3,000 towards the strike fund. Lord Charles Beresford has also promised to subscribe £1,000 in aid of the cabinmen on strike.

The mystery attaching to the horrible murder perpetrated on Barnes Common about daylight on the morning of May 13th has been cleared up by the confession of the murderer. The victim, Edward Wells, a local butcher, who also did some bookmaking, was brutally attacked on the morning named and his head was battered in a dreadful manner, his assailant evidently using a heavy piece of iron, portion of a wheel tire, found in the locality covered with blood. When discovered Wells was almost dead, and though

he never regained his senses sufficiently to give any intelligent account of the affair he muttered the name 'West.' A man of that name, well known in the locality, was arrested on suspicion of being the perpetrator of the crime. West stoutly denied the charge, and persistently maintained that he could prove an alibi.

The object of the murder was a complete mystery, as robbery was evidently not contemplated, the murdered man's money and jewellery not having been touched.

The authorities are very reticent over the man's confession, and beyond the fact that he has made a statement will disclose nothing. His name has not yet been made public.

Further disclosures have been made in connection with the confession of a man of having murdered the bookmaker, Edward Wells, on Barnes Common, early on the morning of May 13th. The prisoner is a bookmaker named Davies, alias Walsh, well known in the locality, and his statement tends to clear the man West, arrested on suspicion, of any complicity in the crime. Davies says that he had previously had considerable betting transactions with the deceased, who also did some bookmaking. The operations left Davies in debt to Wells, and a dispute over this led up to the infliction of the fatal injury. Davies, in making his confession, denies that he was actuated by malice, and says that he did not intend to kill Wells. The man has been placed under arrest, and will be brought before the court on the charge of murdering Wells.

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ADLADE, May 21st.

Much excitement exists among the inhabitants of Port Augusta over the alleged case of leprosy. The disease is pronounced by experts to be true leprosy, and the man is being isolated pending removal. The leper has been in daily contact with the community for a considerable time past in his capacity of vegetable hawker, and for the moment a strong anti-Chinese-and-leprosy sentiment is to the fore.

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Mr. Patterson, the Premier of Victoria, says he will readily co-operate with Sir George Dibbs, Premier of N. S. Wales, in any movement to achieve the federation of the colonies.

AUCKLAND, May 22nd.

Two severe shocks of earthquake were experienced at Wellington and in other parts of New Zealand yesterday morning. They caused great alarm, but no damage was done.

PERTH (W. A.), May 22nd.

One thousand miners are now camped about Coolgardie waiting for rain.

SYDNEY, May 24th.

The latest news from Samoa states that further severe fighting is expected there within a few days.

The proprietors of a Sydney Socialist newspaper published under the title of "Justice," are being criminally prosecuted by the Government on the ground of inciting to the committing of acts of murder and outrage and grossly libelling the Minister for Lands.

LONDON, May 24th.

Mr. Isaac Pitman, the well known inventor and exponent of the system of shorthand writing and spelling known as phonography, has received the honour of knighthood.

A big strike has broken out among the coolies population at Port Said, and dangerous rioting has taken place. The British gunboats stationed in the vicinity are preparing to take action in the event of the disorder spreading.

France is in the throes of a political crisis, and excitement prevails in Paris.

The Sultan of Turkey prohibits the proposed visit of the Khedive of Egypt to England in June next. This, at least, is the excuse tendered by the latter in declining to accept the Queen's invitation.

MELBOURNE, May 15th.

Mr. Rose, a Bank Manager, committed suicide at Bacchus Marsh, Victoria, by shooting himself.

The Intercolonial eight-metres race which was rowed in Melbourne on Saturday has resulted in an easy win for Victoria. The Queenslanders were outpaced from the start and did not get any further than a mile.

AUCKLAND, May 15th.

A scene occurred last night at a meeting in the Onehunga (New Zealand) Borough Council, and the Lady Mayor, Mrs. Yates, personally cleared the Chamber amidst the greatest confusion, she being vigorously booted by the crowd of spectators.

SYDNEY, May 16th.

A Chinese stevedore on board the steamer *Taiyuan* has died of small-pox in Sydney Harbour. The passengers and crew—about one hundred and thirty-three in all—have been examined, but there are no symptoms of any other cases. It is not probable that the vessel will be granted quarantine before Friday.

MELBOURNE, May 17th.

A deputation waited on the Minister for Justice in Sydney yesterday to urge the release of Francis Abagail, the ex-M. L. A. who was sentenced to a term of imprisonment on a charge of fraud in connection with the defunct Australian Banking Co., of which he was Chairman.

A counter-deputation opposed the application, and the proceedings were somewhat disorderly, but the Minister promised to refer the matter to the Cabinet.

BRISBANE, May 17th.

The Executive Council have decided that the sentence of death passed on the Japanese Abbe, for the murder of a Japanese woman at Thursday Island, shall be carried out on the 20th inst. [This date must be incorrect.—Ed.]

MELBOURNE, May 17th.

Thomas Hill, of Victoria, has blown his brains out with a revolver bullet.

Bishop Linton, of Riverina, died very suddenly in Melbourne yesterday.

AUCKLAND, May 17th.

New Zealand is protesting against Samoa. Being handed over to Germany, and has asked the co-operation of the other colonies in the matter.

LONDON, May 17th.

The fire in the Great Aurora mine, Michigan, United States, has been got under, and all the entombed miners rescued.

A party of flogging Coxeyites scalded a fire boat on the Yalma River. In the confusion the boat was capsized, nine of the refugees being drowned.

There is at present an extraordinary epidemic of suicide in Europe, and the number of persons who have taken their lives within the past few weeks has been alarming. At Vienna alone 13 suicides have occurred within the last three days, and in almost every case the victims were members of the wealthy classes.

The Earl of Rosebery has arranged to pay an official visit to Portsmouth on Tuesday next. The announcement of the visit has given rise to a great deal of speculation as to its object. It is understood that the journey is connected with a vast scheme for the repairing and extension of the naval docks. The scheme, it is said, involves an expenditure of £100,000,000, and when carried into effect the alterations and improvements will render the docks equal in every respect to those at Toulon, in France.

A double tragedy of the most shocking character has occurred at Chertsey, in Surrey. A girl named Francis, 18 years of age, deliberately murdered her youngest sister, a child 9 years of age, by compelling her to drink a quantity of carbolic acid, and then committed suicide. The murderer left a letter addressed to her father, in which she clearly indicated that the cause of her double crime was jealousy, arising out of the favor shown by the father for a younger daughter, 14 years of age, to whom he entrusted the care of the household. This circumstance appears to have weighed very heavily upon the unfortunate young woman's mind, and ultimately drove her to the commission of the crime.

Plans have been completed and tenders received for four steamers to be built for the Huddersfield Canadian-Atlantic line; also a large steamer for the Pacific service.

The dippings at the Miners International Conference at Berlin are stated to have been the out-

come of a startling character. Among other things

the writer revives the old slander against the Parnellites of being concerned in the assassination of Lord Cavendish in Phoenix Park, Dublin. He states that this diabolical deed was deliberately planned by the Parnellites, and that the news of its successful consummation caused worldwide rejoicing among patriotic Irishmen. The London *Times* has a long article commenting upon this extraordinary work, and claims that the admissions contained therein fully confirm the truth of the statements which formed the groundwork for the late Mr. Parnell's libel against the *Times* a few years back.

M. Turpin, the French Inventor of the explosive known as nitrocellulose, has invented a diabolical man-slayer in the form of a mounted mittelmeile, the chief feature in which is a novel utilization of the power of electricity. It is claimed for this death-dealing machine, that one will keep a whole army at a distance of several miles, intrusion within the radius of its action meaning certain annihilation to single individuals or to multitudes. It is stated that the Inventor has disposed of its construction and manipulation to the German Government for an immense price, being moved to this unprofitable action by a feeling of irritability consequent on the niggardly and neglectful spirit in which he has been treated by his own Government.

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ADLADE, May 21st.

The mine owners in New York State are trying to employ Indians to work their mines, but the Indians refuse owing to their fears of violence on the part of the unions.

Arrests of suspected Nihilists in Russia still

continue.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 1894.

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LATEST QUOTATIONS.

BANKS.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—99 per cent., prem., sales and buyers.
The National Bank of China, Ld.—on £800 paid up,—\$24 buyers.
The National Bank of China, Ld.—Founders' shares, nominal.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ld.—nominal.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ld.—Founders' shares, \$4 buyers.
CHINESE LOANS.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 £—11 per cent. premium.
MARINE INSURANCES.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$130 per share, sellers.
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$65 per share, buyers.
North China Insurance—\$10 per share, sellers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$142 per share, buyers.
Vangtze Insurance Association—\$73, buyers.
Oriental Insurance Company, Limited—\$15 per share.
The Straits Insurance Co., Ld.—\$124 per share, sellers.

FIRE INSURANCES.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$177 per share, sellers.
China Fire Insurance Company—\$791 per share, sellers and buyers.
The Straits Fire Insurance Co., Ld., \$13 per share, buyers.
SHIPPING.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$25 per share, sellers.
China and Manlui Steam Ship Company—\$65, buyers.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—\$33, sales and buyers.
China Mutual Shippers' Co., Ld.—(Preference)—\$6 per share, nominal.
China Mutual Shippers' Co., Ld.—(Ordinary)—\$1 per share, nominal.
REFINERIES.
China Super Refining Company, Limited—\$161 per share, sellers.
Luren Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$48, buyers.

Mining.

Punjim Mining Co.—(Ordinary)—\$64 per share, sales and buyers.
Punjim Mining Co.—(Preference)—\$1.90 per share, buyers.
The Raich Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$4.50 per share, sellers.
The New Palmar Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$1 per share, sellers.
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin—\$80 per share, sellers.
The Jelbu Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$6.40, sellers.
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—87 per cent. premium, sellers.

HOTELS.

Hongkong Hotel Company—\$112 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$101.
The Shamen Hotel Co., Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.
LANDS AND BUILDING.
The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$53, sellers.
The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$25 per share, sellers.
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ld.—\$14 per share, sellers.
DISPENSARIES.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$10, sellers.
Dakin, Crickshank & Co., Limited—\$11 per share, buyers.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Hongkong Daily Farm Co., Limited—\$64 per share, sellers.
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$3 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Gas Company—\$125 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Ice Company—\$80 per share, sellers.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$40 per share, sales and sellers.
The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$5 per share, sellers.
The Green Island Cement Co.—\$6, sales and buyers.
The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$45, buyers.
The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—\$3 per share, nominal.
The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$65, buyers.
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ld.—\$4 per share, sellers.

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Bank Bills, on demand 2/1
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Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/1
On PARIS—
Bank Bills, on demand 2/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight 2/2
On INDIA—
T. T. 192
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On SHANGHAI—
Bank, T. T. 73
Private, 30 days' sight 74
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MAILS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
The P. & O. S. Co.'s steamer *Ravenna*, with the outward English mail, left Singapore on the 11th instant at 4 p.m., and may be expected here on the 16th.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & S. S. Co.'s steamer *Castle*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for the port via Honolulu and Yokohama, on the 29th ultimo.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Peking*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, on the 7th instant.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamer *Empress of India*, left Vancouver on the 1st instant for Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai, and Hongkong.

THE ATLANTIC MAIL.

The E. & A. Steamship Co.'s steamer *Aries*, from Australis, left Port Darwin on the 5th instant, and may be expected here on the 14th.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Castor*, left Bombay on the morning of the 31st ultimo, and may be expected here on the 17th instant.

The *Navigazione Generale Italiana* steamer *Romilda* left Bombay on the 8th instant, and may be expected here on the 26th.

The 'Glen' Line steamer *Glenstal*, from Antwerp, Loi Don and Straits, left Singapore for this port on the morning of the 13th inst.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

ARIAKI MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,830, A. Murray, 15th June.—Kutchnikov 8th June, Coles—Mitsui Bussan Kalsha.

AMOY, German steamer, 663, W. Wolf, 15th June.—Newchwang 7th June, General—Ed. Schillers & Co.

HAITAN, British steamer, 1,182, J. Dougles, 15th June.—Fowchow 12th June, Amoy 13th and Swatow 14th General—D. Laprik & Co.

NINGRO, German steamer, 762, Thos. Lehmann, 15th June.—Canton 14th June, General—Siemssen & Co.

PEMPITS, German steamer, 1,541, P. Cornickson, 14th June.—Mrif 8th June, Coats—Siemssen & Co.

AGATA, German steamer, 1,700, Petersen, 15th June.—Hamburg and Singapore 9th June, General—Siemssen & Co.

SALVADORE, Spanish steamer, 718, Aquado, 12th June.—Iloilo 7th June, Sugar—Butterfield & Co.

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SISHAN, British steamer, 1,000, A. Murphy, 12th June.—Saigon 8th June, Rice—Brady & Co.

STRATHAVON, British steamer, 1,740, James Sim, 14th June.—Singapore 7th June, General—Doddwell, Carill & Co.

STRATHFERN, British steamer, 1,588, Cormack, 13th June.—Moj 7th June, Coal—Doddwell, Carill & Co.

SYDNEY, French steamer, 2,133, Delserro, 13th June.—Marseille 11th May, Singapore 7th June, and Saigon 10th June, Mail and General—Messages Maritimes.

TAILER, German steamer, 828, J. Calender, 14th June.—Saigon and Delli 10th June, Rice and General—Meyer & Co.

VICTORIA, British steamer, 1,992, John Panton, R.N.R., 8th June.—Tacoons 15th June, Victoria 16th, Yokohama 1st June, Kobe 3rd, and Moji 4th, General—Doddwell, Carill & Co.

YUNESANG, British steamer, 1,106, Waddilow, 12th June.—Manila 9th June, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

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SAILING VESSELS.

A. G. ROPES, American ship, 2,342, D. H. Rivers, 18th May.—New York 19th Jan., Kerosene Oil—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CALE CURTIS, American schooner, 35, Brake, 25th June.—Vap (Carolin Islands) 29th May, General—Order.

EDWARD MAY, American bark, 890, C. C. McClure, 28th April.—New York 3rd Nov., Kerosene Oil—Shewan & Co.

EMILY REED, American ship, 1,480, Simmons, 8th June.—New York 22nd November, Kerosene Oil—Shewan & Co.

KIRINA, British ship, 2,149, Smith, 6th June.—New York 8th December, Kerosene Oil—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LE SCHIFF, American ship, 1,776, Chas. S. Kendall, 17th May.—New York 1st January, Kerosene Oil—Rester, Brockelman & Co.

MAIDEN CIVV, British barque, 1,107, S. Montgomery, 20th May.—Cardiff 5th December, Coal—British Government.

SELKIRK, British ship, 1,667, J. S. Sterow, 9th June.—New York 8th February, Kerosene Oil—Shewan & Co.

SEKANO, American barque, 157, R. G. Waterhouse, 1st June.—Singapore 15th May, Timber—Master.

SHARPSHOOTER, British bark, 480, T. T. Watt, 21st May.—Freemont, W.A., 9th March, Sandalwood—Order.

TACOMA, American ship, 1,673, Gaffey, 5th June, —New York 3rd February, Cases Oil—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

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For Shanghai.—Per *Ningpo* to-morrow, the 16th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Nagasaki.—Per *Kiel* to-morrow, the 16th instant, at 4.30 P.M.

For Singapore and London.—Per *Prat* to-morrow, the 16th instant, at 5 P.M.

For Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, and Tacoma.—Per *Victoria* on Tuesday, the 15th instant, at 11.30 A.M.

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